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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF EXIMBANK TEAM

1. IN ORDER TO CONTINUE ITS LONGSTANDING DIALOGUE WITH POLISH PLANNING AND ECONOMIC OFFICIALS AND IN ORDER TO REVIEW PROGRESS TOWARD COMPLETION OF PREVIOUSLY FINANCED PROJECTS, A TEAM OF EXIMBANK STAFF OFFICERS PROPOSES TO VISIT POLAND DURING THE WEEK OF MAY 14. TEAM WOULD BE COMPRISED OF JOHN BROIS, CHIEF ENGINEER, CHARLES BECKER, CHEMICAL ENGINEER, JOSEPH FLEIG, LOAN OFFICER FOR POLAND, AND DONALD SCHWAB, ECONOMIST FOR EASTERN EUROPE. TEAM UNCLASSIFIED

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PROPOSES TO VISIT FOLLOWING EXIMBANK FINANCED PROJECTS:
PETROCHEMICAL PLANT AT WLOCLAWEK FINANCED BY CREDIT 6119,
ANTIBIOTICS PLANT AT TARCHOMIN FINANCED BY CREDIT 6277,
IRON FOUNDRY AT KOLUSZKI FINANCED BY CREDIT 4677, AND MEAT
PLANT AT RAWA MAZOWIECKA FINANCED BY CREDIT 4897 (COMBINED
VISIT), COLOR TV PLANT NEAR WARSAW FINANCED BY CREDIT
6190 AND 6192, AND COPPER/BRASS FACILITY AT KATOWICE FIN-
ANCED BY CREDIT 5176. THE PRECEEDING LIST INDICATES THE
ORDER OF PRIORITY OF VISITS DESIRED, IN THE EVENT THAT

VISITS TO ALL OF THE FOREGOING CANNOT BE ACCOMPLISHED. TEAM ALSO DESIRES TO MEET WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS IN MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, FOREIGN TRADE AND SHIPPING, AND FINANCE AS WELL AS BANK HANDLOWY AND NATIONAL BANK. PUR-

POSE OF THESE VISITS WILL BE TO DISCUSS CURRENT PERFORMANCE OF POLISH ECONOMY, QUALITY AND EXTENT OF POLISH ECONOMIC DATA FURNISHED TO EXIMBANK, PROJECTIONS BY POLAND OF NATURE, SIZE, AND TIMING OF THOSE PROJECTS FOR WHICH EXIMBANK FINANCING IS LIKELY TO BE SOUGHT IN NEAR FUTURE, AND ANY OTHER MATTERS WHICH POLES WOULD CARE TO RAISE.

2. TEAM PLANS TO ARRIVE ON MAY 14 AND BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS BEGINNING MAY 15. IT IS NOT NECESSARY THAT ENTIRE TEAM VISIT PLANT SITES AND MINISTRIES. ENGINEERS BROIS AND BECKER SHOULD VISIT PLANT SITES, WHILE MESSRS. FLEIG AND SCHWAB ARE MEETING IN WARSAW. HOWEVER, TO THE EXTENT THAT SCHEDULING PERMITS, FLEIG AND SCHWAB WOULD ALSO LIKE TO VISIT PLANT SITES WHEN THEIR PRESENCE IS NOT REQUIRED IN WARSAW FOR OTHER MEETINGS. BROIS, FLEIG AND SCHWAB CAN BE AVAILABLE IN POLAND THROUGH COB MAY 19; BECKER, HOWEVER, MUST DEPART POLAND EVENING MAY 18 OR MORNING OF MAY 19.

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3. FYI, THIS VISIT WAS SUGGESTED TO AMBASSADOR SPASOWSKI DURING HIS APRIL 14 MEETING WITH EXIMBANK CHAIRMAN MOORE. SPASOWSKI WAS WARMLY RECEPTIVE TO THE IDEA OF THIS VISIT. EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ARE REQUESTED. CHRISTOPHER

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